

## FIREMEN'S NARROW ESCAPE.

## Heavy Gas Cylinder Blown Up in the Broadway Fire.

Bryan McSwyny Has Regained Consciousness and Will Recover.

The firemen who were called out to the fire at 240 Broadway shortly after midnight, this morning, and who were assigned to posts on the inside to fight the flames, are congratulating themselves to-day upon what they consider a very fortunate escape from serious injury, perhaps death.

The insurance patrolmen who made an examination of the building this morning said that it was a wonder it was not totally wrecked and a number of firemen buried in the ruins.

They pointed to an object lying on the floor of the Hammond Typewriter Company's front office, which resembled the exploded shell of a mammoth dynamite cartridge, as the object that might have caused the disaster.

It was a cylindrical-shaped piece of metal, fifty inches long, and twenty inches in diameter, and the ends had been blown off. Its weight was probably about 100 pounds.

Before the fire it had been a part of one of the beer pumps in the cellar of East's bar, and it was used to force up the beer had been exploded by the heat, and a hole up through two floors of the building, striking the ceiling and ripping off the plaster.

Had the cylinder been fully charged the heavy shell, it is said, would have been shattered and the building probably wrecked. There was another small cylinder in the cellar, but it did not explode.

The noise was distinctly heard out on Broadway, but the firemen believed it to be merely jugs of overheated spirits, and they did not consult their duty.

The fire started in the sub-cellar of the building, and gutted the shoe store of Bryan McSwyny and the saloon of J. E. Barto on the basement floor.

It burned through the rear around to 113 Park place, where slight damage was done. The Hammond Typewriter Company's office was damaged about \$500, but the other tenants were unharmed.

The origin of the fire is a mystery which will probably not be cleared up until the Police have a thorough investigation, perhaps not then.

Mr. McSwyny was found lying unconscious on the floor of his store when the door was broken in by the firemen. He was only partially dressed. He was removed to Chambers Street Hospital.

Mr. McSwyny, perhaps, may be able to clear up the mystery when he is able to talk, or say whether Mr. McSwyny upon it. There seems to be no one else who can.

At the hospital this morning Supt. Eluke refused any further information concerning Mr. McSwyny than was contained in the entry in the hospital reception blotter. That simply stated that he was received at 12:31 in an unconscious condition from the Hammond Typewriter Company.

Mr. Blake, secretary of the hospital, said that the patient was fifty years old and lived at 240 Broadway.

Mr. Blake refused to give any information to friends of the sick man who called to inquire about him as he was to the reporter. He would not say whether Mr. McSwyny had regained consciousness or what were the chances of recovery.

From another source it was learned that McSwyny had regained consciousness and was in a fair way to recovery.

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## CHICAGO TURNERS OBJECT.

Don't Want to Appear as Indorsing the Military Kaiser.

CHICAGO, June 7.—German Day at the Fair has been set for June 16. The arrangements provided for a parade, with 40,000 men in line. The day, in its varied exercises, parade, speech-making and festivities, is intended to illustrate the progress of the German-American, as well as to call attention to the scientific and mechanical display of Germany in the World's Fair.

A hitch has occurred, however, which threatens to overturn the plans for the celebration. June 15 is the anniversary of Emperor William's accession to the throne of Germany.

The Turners, almost to a man, disavow all sympathy with ideas of military aggression, and they have emphatically refused to participate in the procession of German Day if it is understood that in doing so they are put in the position of indorsing Emperor William and his plan.

## EARLY MORNING FIRES.

Slight Blazes Which Called Out the Firemen.

Shortly before 1 A. M. to-day a slight fire occurred in the cellar of the tenement, 553 West Fifty-first street. Slight damage was done. The cause was unknown.

An hour later there was a fire in the room of John Smith, at the top floor of the tenement, 453 West Forty-sixth street. The damage was trifling. A 3 o'clock alarm called out the firemen. The fire was extinguished by a bucket of water thrown from the window of the room above.

The frame dwelling of Henry Ehrhardt, at 645 West one hundred and Thirtieth street, was damaged \$100 by fire to-day.

Pacific Coast Naval Orders.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 7.—Orders have been received from the Navy-Yard to send a large draft of men by the steamer Honolulu to re-enforce the crews of the United States ship Adams and the cruiser Boston now in that harbor. The new steamer USS Albatross has been ordered to go to Puget Sound.

Clary's Slayer Is Identified.

WHITE PLAINS, June 7.—The Westchester County Grand Jury has indicted Charles of Police Patrick Cash, of Williamsburgh, for murder in the first degree in killing James Clary on the night of May 20 last.

Water in a Tobacco Warehouse.

Patrolman Theobald Thon discovered water overflowing the sink in Leopold Miller's wholesale tobacco house, 61 Crosby street, at 3:30 o'clock this morning, and shut it off. About \$500 damage was done.

1,000 Workmen Out at Whiting, Ind.

WHITING, Ind., June 7.—The railroad engineers, German switchmen, working at the Standard Oil Refinery, Whiting, Ind., and joined the strikers. The leaders now claim that 1,000 men are out.

Found Dead in Bed.

LOUIS Wiggins, twenty-four years old, was found dead to-day in his room at the Pacific Hotel, 23 Bowery. He died some time during the night.

With nerves weakening and hands that shake, he was found dead in bed.

## IS THE OREIBUND SHAKY?

## Count Kalnoky's Talk of an Austro-Hungarian Alliance with Russia.

Germany Irritated at the Austrian Minister's Speech.

BERLIN, June 7.—The speech of Count Kalnoky, the Austro-Hungarian Minister of Foreign Affairs and of the Imperial House for the whole Monarchy, to the Hungarian Delegation, on Saturday last, in which Count Kalnoky took an optimistic view of the prospects of peace, and placed emphasis on the improvement of the relations between Austria and Russia, has raised much irritation in many quarters in Germany.

The National Zeitung does not conceal its annoyance at the character of Count Kalnoky's utterances, and hints that the military question would be much simplified if Germany could initiate the Austro-Hungarian Premier at his word, and leave him to complete the relations with Russia, of which he speaks, thereby enabling Germany to discard the contingency of having to carry on a war on two fronts.

The Kreuz Zeitung regards what it calls Count Kalnoky's attempt to throw dust in the eyes of Germany as a sign of Austria's incurable weakness, and the reluctance of Austria to share the military burden of the Triple Alliance. The Kreuz Zeitung asks the question whether Germany may be required to seek aid in other directions.

The influential political organ, the Neueste Nachrichten, of Munich, in commenting on Count Kalnoky's statements, expresses a presumption that Austria is about to change over to a Russian policy, unless, indeed, Austria has already taken that step, and that the Austrian Government finds the Triple Alliance burdensome, and is making itself secure with Russia against the expiration of the Triple Alliance.

With this presumed state of affairs as a text, the Neueste Nachrichten preaches the necessity of Germany being prepared to depend upon herself for defense against her enemies.

The opponents of the Military bill, on the other hand, jubilantly seize the obvious inference from the optimistic utterances of the Austro-Hungarian Premier.

The Hamburger Nachrichten perceives in these utterances an indirect proof of the soundness of Prince Bismarck's often-repeated fear that Austria and Russia would form an alliance over Germany's head.

The Nachrichten says that Germany no longer has the Triple Alliance, but that Austria is the leader. Semi-official journals are discreetly silent on the subject.

## NO ONE ELIGIBLE FOR CORNELL.

Examinations of Little One As Far as This City Is Concerned.

Today is the date fixed by law for the competitive examination for the selection of students to Cornell University, or, at least, so it is stated in the city schools, said to-day that none of the candidates was found to come within the requirements.

One came from Jersey City, and had been living in New York but two weeks. Another came from Troy, where examination is competitive, and sought to escape Italy coming here.

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SUICIDE OF A ROBBER CHIEF.

Li Hung's Wives Kill Themselves on Learning of His Death.

Mulberry Trees Damaged in Japan—General News of the East.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 7.—The steamer Gaelic, from Hong Kong, May 9, and from Yokohama, May 18, brings the following advices:

The notorious Chinese robber-chief, Li Hung, has committed suicide with poison, on hearing the news of his death, took their lives.

Snowstorms and severe frosts throughout Japan have damaged the mulberry trees enormously. The leaves of the trees have turned black, and are totally unfit for food for the silkworms. Silkworms will sustain a loss estimated at \$3,000,000.

Recent storms raged in Kyushu district recently, agricultural products suffering extensive damage. No less than 100,000 mulberry trees were destroyed, the latest accounts. In Kichu, half the size of small plums fell, and several hundred were entirely demolished. A storm was also experienced at Takamatsu. Several lives were lost, and many were injured. Many were killed, and the occupants drowned.

It was stated that the Japanese Government had decided to send a fleet of battleships to the Philippines, and to send commissioners to Mexico and Australia in search of suitable colonization lands.

The King of Corea has issued a rescript to his Minister of Foreign Affairs, ordering him to conclude with the United States negotiations for the indemnity claimed by Japan in consequence of the prohibition of export of cereals.

BROKER ERLEY CAN'T BE FOUND Report that He is About to Remarry Reaches His Divorced Wife.

Fletcher T. Erley, the Produce Exchange broker whose separated wife is anxious to know whether he has been divorced from her in another State, as she has heard, and is about to marry again, could not be found to-day.

Although court officers have been hunting for him for weeks in a police-military proceeding, his present whereabouts are a mystery to his friends and business acquaintances.

The Special Quarantine Commission met in the Mayor's office to-day and discussed plans for a new building on Hoffman Island, to be used for the detention and observation of detained emigrants from infected vessels.

Architects Thorne and Wilson presented plans for a three-story frame building, 250,000 cubic feet, to be used for a kitchen, dining-room and dormitories. The first floor is to be used for a kitchen, dining-room and dormitories. The second and third floors for dormitories.

The estimated cost of the structure is \$250,000.

The plans were referred to the Committee on Maintenance and Construction, and will be completed within sixty working days after the contract is awarded.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS FRAUD.

Supreme Treasurer Willey to Be Expelled for Taking \$80,000.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 7.—Stanley J. Willey, of Wilmington, Del., Supreme Master of the Exchequer of the Knights of Pythias, is to be expelled from the Order, and proceedings, both civil and criminal, are to be begun against him.

The announcement that W. W. Johnson, of the Exchequer, had sold through his operations, and there is little chance of getting back.

Inspector General of the Uniformed Services of America, W. D. Kennedy, of Henderson, Ky., and W. D. Kennedy, of Henderson, Ky., were engaged in a successful effort to recover the money.

Tricked to Rob a Sailor.

Patrolman Metcalf, of the Fifth Precinct, saw four men attacking Pietro Giovanni, a sailor from the steamer Concordia, at Watts and West streets, at 6 o'clock this morning. They chased him and tried to rob him, but he escaped.

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